

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Original) Hair and/or scalp treatment composition comprising tulsi oil and a metal pyrithione, wherein the tulsi oil and the metal pyrithione are capable of exhibiting a synergistic antimicrobial activity.

Claim 2 (Original) Composition as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the tulsi oil is present in the composition in an amount of from 0.0001% to 5% by weight.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~, wherein the metal pyrithione is present in the composition in an amount of from 0.01% to 5% by weight.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of the amount of tulsi oil to the amount of metal pyrithione lies within the range of from 1:2 to 1:50.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~claim 1, wherein the metal pyrithione is zinc pyrithione.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~claim 1, wherein the tulsi oil and the metal pyrithione exhibit a Fractional Inhibitory Concentration of 0.5 or less.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~claim 1, which is a rinse off product.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended) Composition as claimed in ~~any one of Claims 1 to 6~~claim 1, which is a leave on product.

Claim 9 (Original) Composition as claimed in Claim 8, which is a lotion, a cream or a hair oil.

Claim 10 (Original) Composition as claimed in Claim 7 which is a shampoo or hair conditioner.

Claim 11 (Original) Composition as claimed in Claim 10, which is a shampoo comprising from 1% to 50% by weight of one or more surfactants.

Claim 12 (Original) Composition as claimed in Claim 11 which comprises from 0.001% to 10% by weight of a cationic deposition polymer.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended) Method of treating dandruff which comprises applying to the hair and/or the scalp a composition according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 12~~claim 1.

Claim 14 (Original) Use of: tulsi oil or a component compound thereof; and a synthetic antimicrobial agent, wherein the compound and the synthetic antimicrobial agent are capable of exhibiting a synergistic antimicrobial activity, in the manufacture of a composition for treating and/or preventing dandruff.

Claim 15 (Original) Use as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the compound is selected from terpinen-4-ol, linalool, eugenol, alpha-terpineol and mixtures thereof.

Claim 16 (Original) Use as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the compound is eugenol.

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